

**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

<i>In re</i> the application of	)	
	)	Attorney Docket No. NGBCP007
Masakatsu ENDO et al.	)	
	)	Examiner: T. Le
Application No. 10/506,453	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 2622
Filed: June 7, 2005	)	
	)	Confirmation No. 9994
For: IMAGE OUTPUT SYSTEM INCLUDING	)	
A PLURALITY OF UNITS CONNECTED	)	Date: September 15, 2009
BY COMMUNICATIONS WITH	)	
MASTER-SLAVE RELATION	)	
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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this paper in response to the Final Office Action dated June 15, 2009. Please amend this application as follows:

The **Amendments to the Claims** made herein are reflected in the **Listing of Claims**, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Applicants' **Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.